

The New Orleans Aviation Board Announces New Deputy Director of Aviation – Planning, Development & Construction

NEW ORLEANS, LA – James McCluskie has been named the new Deputy Director of Aviation – Planning, Development & Construction for the Louis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport (MSY).

As Deputy Director, Mr. McCluskie will lead the airport’s project management, planning, engineering, environmental design, and construction efforts with oversight over the Planning, Environmental, and Engineering/ Architecture divisions. He will organize the execution of the airport’s capital program and budget, airport master plan, and all architectural and engineering-related initiatives, as well as manage the capital needs of the new airport and redevelopment of the vacated airport complex.



James McCluskie

Mr. McCluskie brings more than 25 years of planning and construction experience with 10 years in the aviation industry. He recently served as the Vice President of Planning, Engineering and Environmental Management at the Reno-Tahoe Airport Authority. In this position, he oversaw airport construction of the capital program. Previously, Mr. McCluskie served as Aviation Director – Planning and Development with Broward County Aviation Department from 2006 to 2012. Mr. McCluskie earned a Bachelor’s degree in Sociology and a Master’s degree in Urban Regional Planning from Florida Atlantic University.

"New Orleans is one of the most unique and vibrant cities in the United States and I am honored to have the opportunity to live in such a historic city," said Mr. McCluskie. "The airport is experiencing significant growth and leading the team for the construction of the new terminal is an exciting challenge that is characteristic of my career. As a gateway for residents and visitors, the distinctive design of the new terminal will provide an exceptional expression of architecture that evokes the spirit of the local community. It is inspiring to be part of the bright future of this beautiful city."

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